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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Tomonobu TAKASHIMA et al.

Serial No. 10/680,178

Group Art Unit: 2665

Confirmation No. 5393

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Examiner: A. Hsu

For: CELL MULTIPLEXING APPARATUS HANDLING MULTIPLE ITEMS OF INFORMATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows: